

REMARKS

In reply to the March 23, 2005 Restriction Requirement, Applicant provisionally elects Group I, claims 1-13. By this Amendment, claims 14-23 are canceled and claims 1-5 and 7-11 are amended. Claims 1-13 are pending in this application. Reconsideration of the present application based on the above amendments and the following remarks is respectfully requested.

Applicant thanks the Examiner for the indication that claims 1-13 are allowable and that the application would be placed in condition for allowance if claims 14-23 were canceled. As discussed above, claims 14-23 are canceled. Accordingly, favorable reconsideration and prompt allowance are earnestly solicited.

Should the Examiner believe that anything further would be desirable in order to place this application in even better condition for allowance, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the telephone number set forth below.

Respectfully submitted,


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